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I. G. O. F., LAS VEGAS LODGE NO. 4, meets every Monday evening at their hall on Sixth street. All visiting brethren cordially invited to attend. C. W. McAllister, N. G.; E. Comstock, V. G.; R. O. Williams, secretary; W. E. Crites, treasurer; C. V. Hedgecock, cemetery trustee.

FRATERNAL BROTHERHOOD, NO. 102, meets every Friday night at their hall in the Schmidt building, west of Fountain Square, at eight o'clock. Visiting members are cordially welcome. Fred Phillips, president; Jas. Lowe, secretary.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, COUNCIL NO. 804, meets second and fourth Thursday, O. R. C. hall, Pioneer building. Visiting members are cordially invited. W. R. Tipton, G. K.; E. P. Mackel, F. S.

F. O. E. MEETS FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAY evenings each month, at Fraternal Brotherhood Hall. Visiting brothers are cordially invited. John Thornhill, president; E. C. Ward, secretary.

OLD MEN MEET IN FRATERNAL Brotherhood hall every second and fourth Thursday, sleep at the eighth run. Visiting brothers always welcome to the wigwag. David Flint, sachem; Waite H. Davis, chief of records and collector of wampum.

J. E. ROSENWALD LODGE NO. 545, I. O. B. B.—Meets every first Wednesday of the month in the gastronomy room of Temple Montefiore, Douglas avenue and Ninth street. Visiting brothers are cordially invited. Charles Greenclay, president; Rabbi J. S. Raisin, secretary.

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REFORM SCHOOL OFFICIALS CONFER WITH GOV. CURRY
Santa Fe, N. M., Dec. 21.—James W. Kirkpatrick of the territorial reform school at Springer, together with James K. Hunt, of Batos, were in conference yesterday with Governor Curry on reform school matters. The school now has eighteen inmates and is doing good work.

CHILDREN WHO ARE SICKLY
Mothers who value their own comfort and the welfare of their children, should never be without a box of Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children, for use throughout the season. They break up colds, cure feverishness, constipation, teething disorders, headache and stomach troubles. THESE POWDERS NEVER FAIL. Sold by all drug stores, 25c. Don't accept any substitute. A trial package will be sent FREE to any mother who will address Allan S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

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If you desire a clear complexion take Foley's Orino Laxative for constipation and liver trouble as it will stimulate these organs and thoroughly cleanse your system, which is what everyone needs in order to feel well. Red Cross Drug Co. and O. G. Schaefer.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION
(Not Coal Land)
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Santa Fe, N. M., November 23, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Lena Isaac, of Watrous, N. M., who, on March 24, 1908, made Homestead Entry No. 13756, for the SW 1-4 Sec. 3, Twp. 16 North, Range 21 East, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final commutation proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Robt. L. M. Ross, U. S. Court Commissioner, at Las Vegas, N. M., on the 10th day of January, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses: William Smith, Matt. Gerik, Ramon Trujillo, of Watrous, N. M., and Cody W. Sumnerlin, of East Las Vegas, N. M.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION
(Not Coal Land)
Department of the Interior, U. S. Land Office at Santa Fe, N. M., December 8, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Paul McCormick, of Chaperito, N. M., who on January 24, 1906, made Homestead Entry N. 7399, for E 1-4 SE 1-4, NW 1-4 SE 1-4 and lots 2 and 3, Sec. 7, Twp. 14 N. Range 20 East, N. M. P. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make final five year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Robt. L. M. Ross, U. S. court commissioner, at Las Vegas, N. M. on the 20th day of January, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses: Marcos Castillo, Rubie Abner, David Gonzalez, Albino Sosa, all of Chaperito, N. M.

INSURANCE HEADS ANXIOUSLY WAITING

New York, Dec. 21.—What will the 1909 totals of insurance be? This question, which is keeping heads of old line companies in the east on the tenterhooks right now, is their version of the "what shall the harvest be" brought up to date by Wall street standards. It has in it the makings of a more widespread interest but not everybody knows it. The insurance totals of 1909 will gauge prosperity but also gauge the public's memory concerning certain partial disclosures regarding its own exploitation as "riaks" en masse.

Whether the expected jump in revenues of the old line life and casualty companies has taken place or schedule in spite of certain changing conditions in the insurance field will soon be known. Last year January reports showed totals which indicated subsiding indignation and returning prosperity—both of which meant big dividends for 1909. There was then in force life insurance in New York state alone that totaled \$1,653,311,894, in Illinois \$813,954,120, in Kansas \$129,682,691 and in South Dakota \$86,258,878 exclusive of fraternal insurance. In the "casualty" field, which nowadays covers two score new and ingenious underwriting plans, the last January reports showed some stupendous figures, for the premiums alone in Massachusetts were over \$5,166,000, in Illinois \$5,838,990 and New York \$17,232,310 of which the losses totalled on an average about 38 per cent. The 49 "casualty" companies even in 1908 made a gain, their surplus earned above dividends being \$10,234,972. And the dividends were something ornamental as nearly everybody contributed somewhere down the list of underwriting novelties.

The size of the increase of revenue and profits is what the captains of the "regular" casualty concerns are awaiting, not doubting there was an increase in every year since it was begun. Also they are bothered by an experiment in cooperative insurance in Chicago which has made revelations regarding the profits made in their field. The older fraternal and mutual forms they had competed with and will prosper, by charging high rates, but the Chicago project has let everybody into the game of exploiting themselves and their friends and bids fair to succeed because the big profits are in the investments of large sums and not in the underwriting. Cutting the underwriting rates to cost by mutuals has not pleased the insurance captain, but giving the public a share of the investment profits "is different" and far more serious to them, the public benefitting.

The life insurance totals increased in 1908 over 1907 quite sharply especially in the agricultural states like South Dakota and Kansas where good crops have been the rule during recent years. In South Dakota the insurance in force jumped from \$35,994,949 to over \$86,000,000 and in Kansas the gain was a larger percentage of gain than was achieved in eastern states, although the gain in New York was about \$65,000,000 and in Massachusetts about \$42,000,000. This rule held true in Minnesota also, the gain being from \$187,597,530 in 1907 to \$196,612,682 in 1908. Illinois increased its insurance in force nearly \$25,000,000.

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Screeners—It was raining like fury when the show was over, and she invited them to take shelter with her under her hat.—Chicago News.

The Correct Time
to stop a cough or cold is just as soon as it starts—then there will be no danger of pneumonia or consumption. Just a few doses of Ballard's Horebend Syrup taken at the start will stop the cough. If it has been running for some time the treatment will be longer, but the cure is sure. Sold by Center Block Depot Drug Co.

CELEBRATING CHRISTMAS

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and wealthy individuals. The poor—men, women and children—are gathered in from the city's highways and byways and provided with warm clothing, household supplies and a real Christmas dinner. At the famous Guildhall, on Christmas day, a sumptuous dinner is served to nearly two thousand children, the city's Aldermen themselves acting as waiters and doing their best to instill a bit of real Christmas cheer into the lives of the poor, half-starved little waifs who come to be fed.

Christmas means much to the juvenile poor of London—in fact, it is the biggest day of the entire year in their lives. Most of them belong to what have come to be known as the "ragged schools," and each school is given a delectable feast with a few inexpensive presents on the side. The churches throw wide their doors and provide Christmas goodies. These dinners are, naturally, the talk of the children for months beforehand. And they crowd the various halls where they are held in droves. Everyone is served. In thousands of instances, Christmas baskets, containing food and supplies, are sent to the homes of crippled children or invalids unable to attend the big feasts.

Everybody is remembered. The inmates of the workhouses are given good, wholesome dinners and provided with other practical gifts. The widows are given "purses" containing from one to two dollars, by the mayor and aldermen who provide the necessary money from the civic funds. It is the great day for the London poor. None are forgotten. In fact, the poor from many towns near by flock to London on Christmas day for the express purpose of sharing in the prodigious Yuletide distribution of goose, plum pudding, clothing and shoes.

Right at the very door to our own country—Ellis Island—a Christmas celebration of more than passing interest takes place every year. There is never a Christmas that does not find at least one steamship depositing its load of immigrants from Europe. Strangers in a strange land on Christmas day! Surely they are worthy of all that can be done for them to make them feel a little of the Christmas cheer. And much is done, in the main hall of the immigration quarters at Ellis Island, which has a seating capacity of 14,000, a stage is erected from which prominent speakers address the immigrants. The speakers are chosen according to their linguistic ability, and every immigrant present will hear at least one address in his own language. Not infrequently singers from the grand opera houses in New York are present and cheer the new arrivals with their beautiful songs.

The little immigrant children are treated to all sorts of Christmas gifts dear to the heart of childhood and their fathers and mothers come in, too, for the Yuletide remembrances. Several months before Christmas donations come in from all over the country. From the middle of December packages begin to arrive, some containing touching little offerings of cheap toys, candles, ornaments and fruits. From the Ghetto, from Little Italy, from the crowded alleys and the stifling tenements come the many gifts.

Not infrequently from a distance comes a check from a man, himself once a pilgrim at the island, to whom fortune has been kind. He asks that the money be expended for toys, warm clothing for the infants and substantial gifts for the parents. And in this way the matron of the island collects enough gifts and toys to make the children who spend their first Christmas in the land of the free, remember it all their lives. There is always a big Christmas dinner and a Christmas tree on Christmas eve. Many of the little ones have never had so many good things, and so much attention in all their lives before. Sometimes though, they are too sad to enjoy the feast and the presents, for even in the childish breast can be felt the pangs of fatherland left behind and a new, unknown land ahead.

For A Lame Back
When you have pains or lameness in the back bathe the parts with Chamberlain's Liniment twice a day, massaging with the palm of the hand for five minutes at each application. Then dampen a piece of flannel slightly with this liniment and bind it over the seat of pain, and you may be surprised to see how quickly the lameness disappears. For sale by all dealers.

Farmer (to editor of local paper)—I want to put a notice in your newspaper of the death of my brother. What's yer price?
Editor—Ten shillings and sixpence an inch, sir.
Farmer—Oh, I can't afford that; my brother was 6 feet 2.—London Opinion.

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